



City Council  
January 8, 2019

Addendum #1  
Comments Received January 4 – 8 (9 am)

## **Meredyth Muth**

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**From:** Allison Johanson <johanson.allison@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 4, 2019 2:58 PM  
**To:** City Council; Robert Muckle  
**Subject:** LSAB Position on Cannabis Regulations  
**Attachments:** LSAB Letter To City\_Cannabis\_January 2019 .pdf

Mayor Muckle and City Council Members,

Please see the attached letter for your review/awareness. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Allison Johanson  
Chair, Louisville Sustainability Advisory Board

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Allison Johanson  
Cell : 563-349-1213

**From:** [psim1560@aol.com](mailto:psim1560@aol.com)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Concern about relaxing the marijunana laws in Louisville  
**Date:** Thursday, December 13, 2018 4:32:52 PM

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I am concerned about the recent news that the Planning Commission in Louisville is proposing relaxing the marijuana laws. As a long time resident of Louisville, I am very concerned about this possibility.

I currently volunteer at the Hospice Thrift Shop in Boulder at Arapahoe and 55<sup>th</sup> Street.

This store is right next to the Green Tree Marijuana shop. As I near the parking lot I smell the odor from the marijuana processing. It is very offensive and very strong at times. Customers were complaining about the smell until the ventilation system was changed in our store so that we couldn't smell it inside. It is still noticeable outside.

If you drive north on 55<sup>th</sup> street just beyond the Dinner Theater, the smell is in the air. I am sensitive to smells and the smell of marijuana makes me sick to my stomach.

I would hate to see that marijuana smell present in the town of Louisville. It's not worth ruining the small town, family atmosphere. We already have 2 marijuana shops. Isn't that enough? Do you really want to expose young children to this product by allowing it closer to schools. They shouldn't have to breath that air into their young developing lungs.

Do we really need bigger, 1500 foot, marijuana facilities? If you proceed by allowing marijuana to be processed at the TEC center in Louisville, many people will suffer from the smell and I would predict that you won't get the better businesses moving there. Think of the reputation of our town.

Louisville has already changed with all the growth of the 4 large condo complexes. Traffic has increased and the downtown is now too crowded to enjoy on weekends. Please don't increase the traffic with more people coming here for marijuana.

Let's work on getting some profitable businesses in the old Sam's Club, the old Scrapbooking building, and the old Hobby Lobby. And **please, please** don't let any marijuana places move into those large buildings. Also, please encourage Kohl's to stay in Louisville. We can't afford to let them move. Kohl's and King Soopers are the store I shop in most.

Thank you for thinking long and hard on these proposed changes to Louisville's marijuana laws.

Peggy Simpson  
1560 Ridgeview Dr.  
Louisville, CO 80027

**From:** [Richard Simpson](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Marijuana Laws  
**Date:** Thursday, December 13, 2018 3:43:55 PM

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I see that the planning commission is reviewing some proposed changes in the marijuana laws in Louisville and would like to make my concerns known.

I have lived in Louisville for 23 years and have obviously seen it grow from a very nice small town to what it is today. Once we became known as "The Best Place To Live", it's become crowded, increased traffic, and most festivals too crowded to attend.

I am strongly opposed to relaxing marijuana restrictions and see no benefits to the quality of life here by doing so.

We don't need marijuana shops closer to schools or being larger or more plentiful. We certainly don't need to allow grow and production operations anywhere near the city limits. These operations produce a nasty skunky odor that can be smelled for blocks if not miles. Check out some of the locations in Boulder if you are not familiar, like Greentree on Arapahoe or drive north of Arapahoe on 55th notice the odor. Even if located in the Tech Center there are still neighboring businesses that will have to live with and be effected by the odors.

I'm sure the consideration of relaxing restrictions is the potential for increased city revenues and taxes. It would be much more useful to put your effort into filling some of the large empty retail spaces in town like Big Lots and Sam's Club.

Please consider the above before making changes to our marijuana laws.

Richard Simpson  
1560 Ridgeview Dr  
Louisville, CO

**From:** [Robert Muckle](#)  
**To:** [Jack Holland](#)  
**Cc:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Is Louisville going to pot?  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 1:43:27 AM

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John:

I assume you read or someone told you about an anonymous flyer distributed today at Ascent Church and possibly other locations. This flyer is misleading and erroneous at best. It is dishonest and mean spirited. It is a cowardly anonymous attack. What is actually happening is that city council is considering relaxing some of the regulations controlling what types of marijuana businesses can operate in Louisville and where they can locate. These discussions have occurred in open public meetings. I personally don't support these changes (which is not what the flyer stated) but the council will again have an open public discussion Tuesday night and possibly take action. We will take into account all public input in person or by phone or email. As I'm sure you are aware there are 2 operating Marijuana retail stores in Louisville which have had no issues in their years of operation.

As to Louisville becoming Amsterdam - come on you can't serious.

Please come testify in person Tuesday night at 7

Bob

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jan 6, 2019, at 2:31 PM, Jack Holland <jackoholland@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Mayor Bob Muckle and Louisville City Council

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> I hear you want to make Louisville the Amsterdam of Colorado regarding marijuana. Wondering if the new Amsterdam of Colorado will also include the brothels. NO NO NO!

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> John Holland

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> jackoholland@gmail.com

**From:** [Jack Holland](#)  
**To:** [Robert Muckle](#); [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Is Louisville going to pot?  
**Date:** Sunday, January 6, 2019 2:31:43 PM

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**From:** [Jay Keany](#)  
**To:** [Jim Candy](#); [Bill Stephens](#); [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Beth Lillstrom](#); [Rex Minor](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Heads Up  
**Date:** Sunday, January 6, 2019 1:24:56 PM

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Jim,

Thank you for your email. And thank you for letting us know about this.

Jay Keany  
Councilman - Ward 1  
City of Louisville  
720-280-4805

Sign up for the City's email lists and be informed. Use this link to see how:  
<http://www.louisvilleco.gov/residents/enotification>

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From: Jim Candy [jim@ascentcc.org]  
Sent: Sunday, January 6, 2019 1:16 PM  
To: Bill Stephens; City Council  
Cc: Beth Lillstrom; Rex Minor  
Subject: Heads Up

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Best to you,  
Jim Candy and Bill Stephens and The Ascent Team

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Ascent Community Church  
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**To:** [Bill Stephens](#); [City Council](#)  
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Mayor Bob Muckle

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**From:** [Jayma brachvogel](#)  
**To:** [Robert Muckle: City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Mary Boulder boulder](#); [David / Rose Walters Neighbor](#); [Nordberg Linda/Nils Neighbor](#); [14shannonjones@gmail.com](#); [AnneMarie / John Patric](#); [Calla / Todd Louren Neighbor](#); [Carol Callcotte](#); [Claire / Herb Floyd](#); [Carrie DeGraw](#); [Kate / David Love](#); [Kate / David Love](#); [Valerie HOA](#)  
**Subject:** Pot shop at site of Ascent church  
**Date:** Sunday, January 6, 2019 12:11:23 PM

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Hello....

My name is Jayma Jamieson, and I am a therapist in Louisville, Colorado. I grew up in Boulder, and have lived in this area for over 50 years. I heard that there is a possibility of bringing a marijuana shop into the neighborhood where I live, which is in the Meadows, right behind the shopping center.

Because of the various issues I see with many of my teenage and adult clients who smoke pot, which can lead to depression, lack of motivation, addiction issues, and even suicidal thoughts, I have to cast my vote against putting a dispensary in the old Sam's Club. It is ironic that we are not wanting a church to be in that location, because of tax revenue, but are now considering bringing something in that has a much lower energetic and spiritual vibrational flow, in terms of energy and who will be attracted to our community. I don't want to lower the value of the homes in this neighborhood, which I think a huge dispensary could do.

Depression, suicidal thoughts and drugs all go hand in hand, whether that is pot, alcohol, or harder drugs.

There are clinical studies on pot smoking, and how it can lead to mental illness and schizophrenia in some teenagers, or people genetically prone, and popcorn lung develops from using vapes.

Personally.....

I don't think this is the best use of the SAMs club space, after the church moves out.

Please consider other more productive, positive sources of bringing in revenue in this small town community.....something that would bring our home values up and develop more of a community spirit.

Jayma

Jayma Jamieson, MA, NCC, LPC  
A Boulder Body Mind Spirit Counseling, LLC  
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**From:** [Aidan O'Donovan](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Request to include Downtown in New Marijuana Ordinance  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 1:32:06 PM

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Hello City Council. My name is Aidan O'Donovan and I am a prospective cannabis dispensary operator in the City of Louisville. In the interest of full disclosure, I currently have a lease at 950 Spruce St, and would love to be given the opportunity to site my business there.

When the City of Louisville first enacted its marijuana ordinance, there was a common perception that dispensaries would attract "undesirables" to the areas in which they were sited, and would have adverse impacts on the neighboring businesses and residences. Since then we have learned this not to be the case, and many municipalities in which dispensaries were previously relegated to industrial areas, have now brought their cannabis zoning to be fully in line with that of alcohol. In 2019, typical cannabis dispensaries are aesthetically on par with high end jewelry stores or wine shops, both of which are universally allowed in downtown areas. We are simply asking for the same consideration. I worry that the fear of an outdated misconception of a run down looking store with neon marijuana leafs and bars on the windows will prevent a classy cannabis business from what would be a perfectly suitable location. I would support a strong requirement regarding the facade of any such business but urge you to reconsider banning us from downtown altogether.

Furthermore, I understand several council members are concerned with downtown starting to attract a different crowd, but please recognize that the proposed buffer between dispensary sites, along with typical commercial mortgage financing covenants and restrictions will adequately prevent any sort of clustering from occurring anywhere in the city, including downtown. One dispensary will not change the whole nature of the area.

Thank you for your consideration,

Aidan O'Donovan

**From:** [Howard Peck](#)  
**To:** [Robert Muckle](#); [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Please stop the expansion of Marijuana access and growing within Louisville  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 2:42:30 PM

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Dear City officials,

From agenda for tomorrows meeting, item 8C, it appears that you are considering loosening the standard for Marijuana stores and operations even further.

Making such actions might somehow benefit the fiscal pockets of the city but in no way could be considered beneficial to the overall good of the city. Please do not do this.

If anything, you should be making standards tighter than they currently are and tighter than what most people I know consider very loose state standards.

Regards,  
Howard Peck

**From:** [Kent Olson](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Kent Olson](#)  
**Subject:** Proposed Marijuana Expansion  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 4:07:04 PM

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Dear Councilors,

I am appalled at some things I've heard recently about proposals being considered by you, our city councilors:

1. Loosening restrictions for pot shop locations;
2. Expanding the allowable number of pot shops in our community.

For us to reduce allowable locations from 1,000 to 500 ft is ridiculous, particularly because such action conflicts with state statutes. That dispensaries of this sort could come within 500 ft of churches, day care centers, etc. is dreadful!!!!

One of the attractions of Louisville for me over the past 39 years has been its good-natured congeniality and positive living environment. Do we now want to blow this away with increased DUI's, inebriations galore, etc. I for one do NOT want this concession to depravity.

Kent Olson  
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**From:** [Daniel Waldrip](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#); [Robert Muckle](#)  
**Subject:** Expanded Marijuana Rules  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 4:27:09 PM

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Dear Mayor Muckle and City Council Members,

I've recently heard that you are considering a proposal to remove and/or expand current restrictions on retail marijuana stores and allow large growing operations.

It seems obvious to me that this is not in line with what Louisville was built on over many years. The current regulations seem perfectly adequate to meet the needs of those who participate in retail marijuana.

So, who exactly does this serve? Who is driving it? Why here? What's in it for the many families with young children in Louisville? What purpose does this serve in the end? Is it worth becoming pot-centric when many, many people originally came here for very different reasons?

These all seem like reasonable questions that I hope you'll carefully consider. So far, this has been pretty quiet. If that's unintentional, then it would make sense to spend the money and effort to publicize this plan for a while to gauge reaction.

As I've spoken to friends in Louisville since hearing about this, even those that are happy to have a couple of shops here with room for a couple more are taken aback that the Council would even consider what is on the table.

Thanks for your service to our community. Many of us recognize that it's not always easy or pleasant. I hope you'll take my comments into account as you consider what to do.

Best Regards,

Dan Waldrip  
1172 Grove Ct.

**From:** [Susan Bolduc](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Pot shops etc.  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 4:30:42 PM

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Why has the discussion of expanded pot locations and relaxed regulations NOT come up for public discussions? This seems highly a highly unorthodox way of doing things.... essentially foisting a controversial policy on to the entire community unannounced. The long term effects of this drug on children, and adults, for that matter, has not been proven. AND..... it's much easier to expand in small steps than to take away permits, once granted, when time proves the idea faulty. (AS shown by old building permits allowing the spread of community spoilers such as cheap uninspiring edifices )

Please reconsider this thoughtless idea!

Regards,  
Sue Bolduc

**From:** [Andrew MacQueen](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Pot Shops  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 4:44:02 PM

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Regards,

The below link is the flyer I received. I do hope this is some sort of joke/prank in regards to going around the local residents of Louisville to pass a regulation that might be unfit. Has this been discussed with the schools, teachers, parents and students? Are you truly going to make it acceptable to put a pot shop 500 feet from school/church? Again, I hope this is a joke of sorts, and if so sorry for the email.

Andrew

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/3?ui=2&ik=8125b92437&attid=0.1.1&permmsgid=msg-f:1622045547557272571&th=1682a9d4dfa7bbfb&view=att&disp=inline>



**From:** [Scott Robarge](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Mayor/Council to allow up to fifteen, 5,000 square foot super pot shops in Louisville????  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 4:47:43 PM

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Is this true/accurate?

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Scott and Jen Robarge (and kids)  
Louisville residents since 2008

**From:** [Choka, Denice](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#); [Robert Muckle](#)  
**Cc:** [autumn.choka5@gmail.com](mailto:autumn.choka5@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Marijuana Retail Sales  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 8, 2019 9:17:50 AM

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Dear Bob, Chris, and All:

As a 25 year resident of our amazing town, Louisville, a parent, and a concerned citizen, I respectfully ask that you vote NO to removing the restrictions for marijuana retail sales.

Please keep our town small and awesome!

Respectfully yours,

Denice Choka  
443 Sunnyside Street  
303.859.2356

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**From:** [Dawn Burgess](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#); [Kathleen Kelly](#); [David Marvin](#)  
**Cc:** [Megan Davis](#); [Kathleen Hix](#); [Meredyth Muth](#)  
**Subject:** \*\* Revised Doodle Poll \*\* Mondays added \*\*  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 8, 2019 9:05:14 AM

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Here is the revised doodle poll with some Mondays added.

[Revised Doodle Poll](#)

Thank you for your responses and patience as we work to get this scheduled!

*Dawn Burgess*

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**From:** [Eric Fowles](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Say NO to new marijuana guidelines.  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 8, 2019 8:18:06 AM

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Dear Louisville City Council,

I was made aware of the pot restrictions being lifted in the BRaD meeting last month and I'd like to communicate how WRONG I believe this is for our town. Lifting the restrictions on Marijuana sellers and growers to be able to open shop within 500ft of any of our schools, residences or churches and allowing up to 15 - 5,000 square foot stores is not inline with our town's "BRAND" - or being a family friendly city. I fear this will further hinder our ability to attract the right kinds of businesses to Louisville and completely dillute our brand and what makes this town unique.

In my business we work with companies to help them find their unique selling proposition, brand values, and POV and then focus on that to set them apart from their competitors. It seems to me that Louisville has been recognized for our family friendly vibe and community and small town charm. This is what makes us special, and unique and different from Boulder and the surrounding communities. In building brands and marketing this is what you want to double down on and own! I believe this has been primarily what's driven the growth in our area over the last several years.

Lifting restrictions on pot growers and sellers in our town will absolutely change this perception, and dilute the family friendly brand and image we've been recognized for. I believe it will change the landscape of our town. As a community member and someone raising a family here with teenagers, I have had my eyes opened to the problems of having these addictive substances in our high schools and the effects it has on delinquent minds. It should not be brought closer to our youth than it already is.

As a town we don't need this- it will literally degrade our town's character and will do more harm to the Louisville brand than the revenue it might bring in. Brands take time to build, you cannot buy it - it's the soul and essence of what you stand for - Louisville has been built as a great town. Let Boulder have it and let's keep Louisville unique and different than the surrounding communities. It will attract even more people that are focused on these values by holding some higher standards for who we allow to do business here.

Furthermore - almost as concerning to me is there has been no transparency to the community as to WHY this is being considered? What are the triggers and motivators for bringing it forward? We haven't even reached our limit on stores, so why the need to increase that? As I've looked and asked, I've gotten no clear answers. This is very questionable in my mind. Please don't encourage this and don't dilute our town's brand. As a marketer I've seen moves like this ruin companies and as a property owner downtown who's considering investing a lot into Main Street, this concerns me.

Just wanted to reach out and share my thoughts. Please don't move this forward.

Thanks for your hard work for our city!  
Eric Fowles  
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**From:** [Robert Muckle](#)  
**To:** [Richard Mackay](#)  
**Cc:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Re: closed council meeting re: changes to marijuana regulations  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 10:56:10 PM

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Dr. MacKay:

Tomorrow in open session we are proposing to publish notice of a public hearing that will occur on 5 February in open session as well. After the public hearing we may take some action or we may continue the issue to take further input.

I personally oppose these changes although I try to keep an open mind going into a public hearing. The city's finances are in good shape. I won't say additional revenue isn't useful but we aren't in a position where it's necessary for our budget.

We do all public business in open session. The exceptions where an executive session is allowed in our charter are to discuss strategy for real estate acquisition or disposition, pending litigation discussions with our attorney or certain personnel issues.

I hope you'll come testify at the public hearing.

Bob

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 7, 2019, at 9:59 PM, Richard Mackay <[rmackay55@hotmail.com](mailto:rmackay55@hotmail.com)> wrote:

I have been informed there will be a closed council meeting tomorrow regarding proposed changes to increase access space and zone requirements and growth facilities for marijuana in Louisville.

This leaves me little time to contact you. If some of my facts are in error, please correct them. but there are several questions I have.

Why the closed council meeting without public input?

Why the expedited schedule to approve this change?

Why propose reduced buffer space in conflict with state laws?

Who benefits from these proposed changes?

Shame on all of you!

Many of you were on the council a few years ago when the state legalized recreational pot. Don't you recall the public input, in which you even allowed additional time for public response. Do you think there is not public interest in this topic?

At those meetings there were even direct quotes from the council members protesting this was not about increase revenue for the city. Can you say that now?

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Yes, I am aware of what is done in other cities. Yes, I am aware of how large some of these establishments are. Let them have them. Are you afraid you will lose out to other cities if you don't act quickly?

Honestly, is this the best you can do?

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Sincerely,

Dr. Richard Mackay



**From:** [courtney.six@us.pwc.com](mailto:courtney.six@us.pwc.com)  
**To:** [bobM@LouisvilleCO.gov](mailto:bobM@LouisvilleCO.gov); [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Constituent Voice - Proposed changes to Louisville Municipal code.  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 10:17:29 PM

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Mayor Muckle and Council -

I understand you'll be discussing the merits of changing the Louisville Municipal Code with respect to medical and retail marijuana businesses.

As a community member with 5 young kids, I am strongly opposed to any measure that would extend the reach and access of marijuana within City limits. From my line of sight, there is no rationalization to this within the community limits - economic or otherwise.

Of greatest concern in this discussion is the direct and indirect impact of further main streaming these sales within our community in close proximity to children. I do believe it is the responsibility of you - collectively - to stand firm on the current setbacks related to schools and other facilities serving kids. In no circumstance should the safe environment of children be further imposed or burdened with activities that should be limited to adults.

To the extent my reflections are not consistent with the voice of what you believe to be the majority in the community - especially as it relates to setbacks - I'd appreciate the courtesy of reply so that I can hear your viewpoint of the constituency.

Many thanks for your service and being stewards of the Louisville values.

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Thoughts don't need paper to take shape.

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**From:** [Richard Mackay](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** closed council meeting re: changes to marijuana regulations  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 9:59:05 PM

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I have been informed there will be a closed council meeting tomorrow regarding proposed changes to increase access space and zone requirements and growth facilities for marijuana in Louisville. This leaves me little time to contact you. If some of my facts are in error, please correct them. but there are several questions I have.

Why the closed council meeting without public input?

Why the expedited schedule to approve this change?

Why propose reduced buffer space in conflict with state laws?

Who benefits from these proposed changes?

Shame on all of you!

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**From:** [Just Dave](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Not in Louisville  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 7:54:44 PM

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Louisville does not need to be known for mega pot depot. That goes against the small town community! Please do not let it happen!

**From:** [T.calloway](#)  
**To:** [Robert Muckle](#); [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Reduction in Marijuana ordinances  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 7:35:03 PM

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Hello Mayor Muckle and Council members;

I am writing for more public conversation concerning our current ordinances restricting marijuana. I have read that the council is considering allowing larger shops to be built and considering reducing the buffer distance between shops and schools. As an educator in BVSD, I strongly disagree with this. While I have no problem with marijuana legalization and sales in our state, I do believe that maintaining a buffer between students is imperative. Yes they know what it is etc, but the message that it sends is not one I support.

I also concerned about the proposal to allow larger scale growing operations in the city/tech center. Please hold off on this! I have numerous friends in the roaring fork valley who are dealing with the impact of large scale growing operations in their area and the impacts it has had. I feel like this issue needs more time and discussion from those who could potentially be impacted.

Thank you for reading,  
Tara Calloway

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Louisville CO 80027

**From:** [Erica Clarke](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Concern regarding marijuana retail regulations  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 7:24:19 PM

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Dear City Council,

I received this via email from a friend of a friend and I am writing to express my concerns regarding the potential expansion of marijuana retail in the city.

I **do not** support reducing the buffer from K-12 schools to 500 ft. It which is in direct conflict with the state statute of at least 1,000 ft.

I feel we have a sufficient number of retail outlets for our city size.

I am not opposed to a potential grower located in the Tech center.

I am also disappointed in the lack of community input sought on this matter.

Thank you for your attention,

Erica Clarke  
cell: 412-605-9575  
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“Friends and Neighbors,

This is coming a little late, but is worth thinking about and forwarding to others. It's also very worth clicking on an email link below to let local leaders know how you feel.

Mayor Muckle and the Louisville City Council have expedited an effort to remove nearly all restrictions on marijuana retail sales in our city. This change could allow up to 15, 5,000 square foot super pot shops in Louisville. These stores would be allowed to locate next door to daycares, parks, playgrounds, ball fields, children's recreational facilities and churches. This includes the site of the new Accent Church and proposed Saint Louis Church.

This change would also reduce the buffer from K-12 schools to 500 ft, which is in direct conflict with the state statute of at least 1,000 ft. This has all been done by the Council without a public outreach to our residents, schools, churches and businesses. The only councilman to request the public input was Chris Ley.

As part of the changes, the Council is including a provision that will allow for large scale marijuana growing operations within city limits. This is aimed at the Louisville tech center area.

The Louisville City Council is set to discuss this ordinance this Tuesday, January

08. If you have concerns, please contact our Mayor and council and forward this to your friends. It's important to act quickly to insure your voice is heard.

One thing that always holds true about small town politics is that it only takes a handful of emails or phone calls to give local politicians a reason to rethink things. Please take the time.

Mayor Bob Muckle

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Marcy Cooper](#)  
**To:** [Robert Muckle](#)  
**Cc:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Marijuana Sales  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 7:22:38 PM

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As a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist who has lived and worked in Louisville for 17 years I must object to the plan to increase the access to marijuana in our community. It is already way too accessible ! I see patients and parents in my office on a daily basis who argue that, "it's legal". Just because something is legal does not make it safe. Would we allow gun shops to open on every corner ? The damage that marijuana does to developing brains, that would be brains less than 25 years old, is very well documented. I am happy to provide you with ample literature if needed. Louisville is a family town, full of kids. Making marijuana more available is irresponsible !

Sincerely,

Marcy Cooper, M.D.  
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PLEASE NOTE: I do not use email for clinical or patient issues. If you are trying to reach me about an issue related to a patient, please call me at (303) 666-0443.

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**From:** [Susan Guthrie](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Louisville City Council Members  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 6:25:08 PM

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Dear Council Members,

I moved here a few months ago from Boulder and I love Louisville. It is so DIFFERENT than Boulder. Boulder has sold out to the pro-growth forces that be and it's become a no-great place to live over the past 25 years since I moved here from Michigan. Traffic, homelessness, real estate and rents so high that local merchants are almost zero and ordinary people can't afford housing. Not to mention the rise in crime and traffic accidents caused by stoners asleep at the wheel! I wonder what inspired the mayor and the council to make this move to reduce the restrictions on marijuana dispensaries, but I can tell you that it may be good for everyone to line their pockets, but it will not be good for Louisville. This is a no-brainer.

I'm a psychologist and I've watched the numbers of pot-addicted kids climb over the past 5 years in my practice - kid's lives are being ruined, just like they are with alcohol abuse. And you want to expand the number of dispensaries and reduce the restrictions in proximity to schools? Shame on you all. Put your greed away and put your thinking caps on.

Susan Guthrie, PhD  
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Louisville, CO 80027



**From:** [Karen Lamb](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Pot regulations  
**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2019 5:53:49 PM

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I believe Louisville should follow state guidelines for distances for pot shops from schools and parks.

Francis Lamb  
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Louisville

Sent from my iPad